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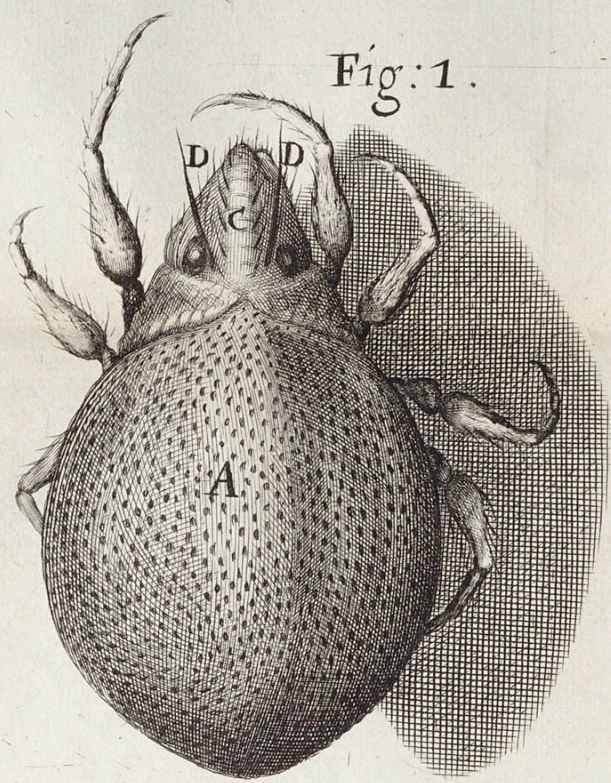


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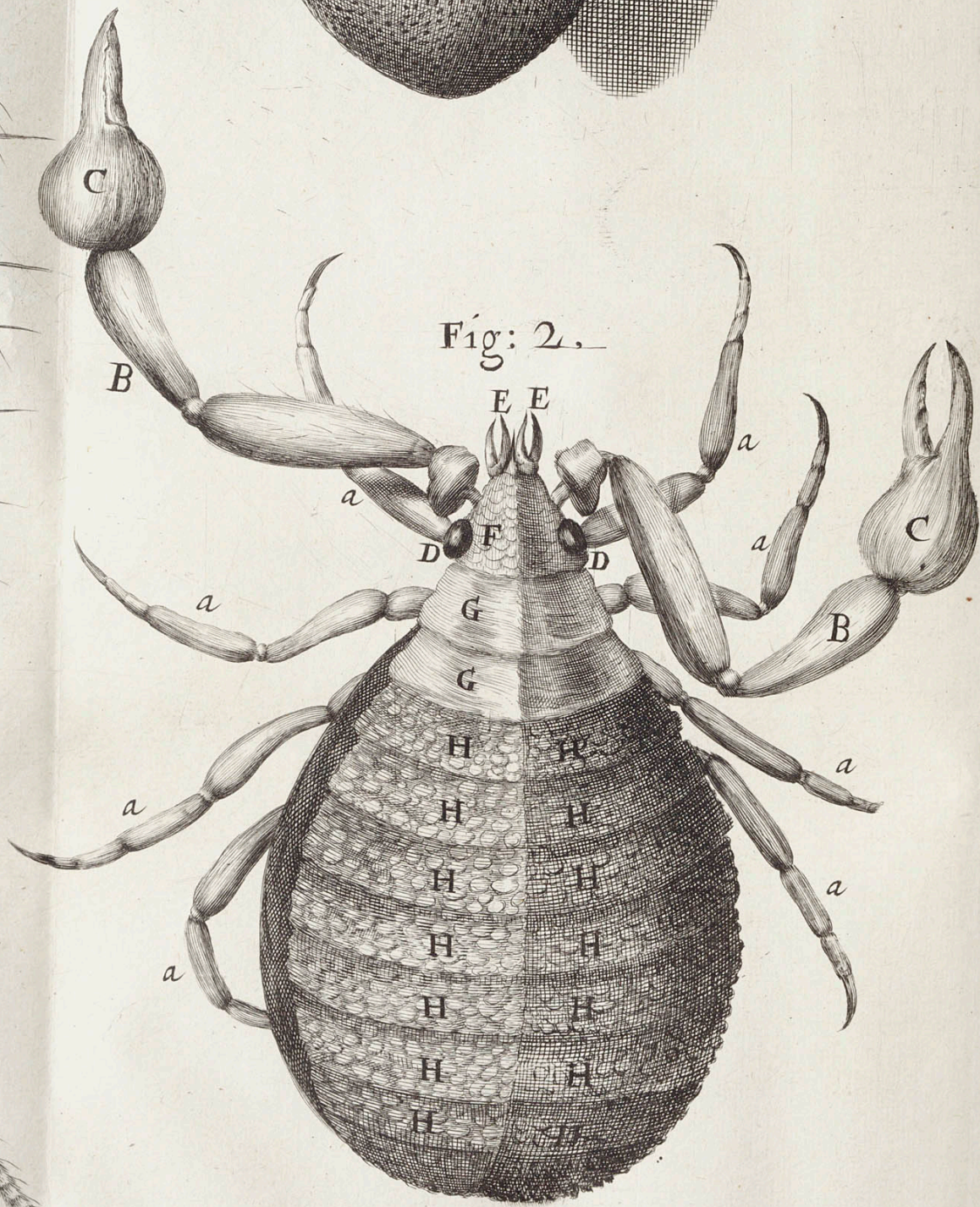


Fig: 2.

# MICROGRAPHIA.

how much the Negro Women do besmeer the ofspring  
with, bringing forth neither white-skinn'd, nor black, but  
Mulattos.  
Now, though I propound this as probable, I have not yet been  
suffic'd by Observations as to conclude any thing, either pos-  
sibly, concerning it. Perhaps, some more lucky diligence may  
discover, curious Inquirer with the discovery of this, to be a truth, which  
nature, and may thereby give him a satisfactory account of the  
whole creatures, whose original seems yet so obscure, and may give  
us to believe, that many other animate beings, that seem also to be  
the product of putrefaction, may be innobled with a Pedigree  
as the first creation, and far exceed the greatest beings in the  
Genealogies. But on the other side, if it should be found  
that any other animate body, have no immediate similar Parents  
in another place set down a conjectural Hypothesis whereby  
it may likely enough be sol'd, wherein the infinite wisdom  
and providence of the Creator is no less rare and wonderfull.

## Observ. L I. Of the Crab-like Insect.

Reading one day in *Septemb.* I chanced to observe a very small  
creep over the Book I was reading, very slowly; having a  
me, I observ'd it to be a creature of a very unusual form, and  
notable; such as is describ'd in the second Figure of the 33. s.  
about the bigness of a large Mite, or somewhat longer, it had  
of which, A A A A, were topt with very sharp claws, and were  
in which he walk'd, seeming shap'd much like those of a Crab  
many other things also this little creature resembled; such  
as his claws, B B, which were the foremost of all the ten, and seem'd  
in manner of Crabs or Lobsters claws, for they were shap'd an-  
such like those represent'd in the Scheme, and the ends of them  
sh'd with a pair of claws or pincers, C C, which this little animal  
sh'd shut at pleasure: It seem'd to make use of those two horns  
both for feelers and holders; for in its motion it carried them  
ended before, moving them to and fro, just as a man bl  
ould do his hands when he is fearfull of running against a wall  
at a hair to it, it would readily take hold of it with the  
seem to hold it fast. Now, though these horns seem'd to  
two uses, namely, for feeling and holding; yet he seem'd to use  
ing two small black spots, D D, which by the make of them  
might reflection from them seem'd to be his eyes; nor did it w  
seem'd adjoining to it.  
The whole body was cas'd over with armour-spells, as is usu